

I claim:

Sub A1 1. A printed circuit board configuration, comprising:

a first printed circuit board having first defined dimensions and a first portion of a plug connector, said first printed circuit board extending in a given plane;

a second printed circuit board having a second portion of said plug connector, said second printed circuit board connectable to said first printed circuit board through said plug connector to form a connected configuration;

said first and second printed circuit boards both extending in said given plane when connected in said connected configuration; and

said second printed circuit board having dimensions such that said connected configuration has second defined dimensions.

2. The configuration according to claim 1, wherein:

said first defined dimensions correspond to a first standard; and

said second defined dimensions correspond to a second standard.

3. The configuration according to claim 2, wherein said first standard is the µATX dimension standard.

4. The configuration according to claim 2, wherein said second standard is the ATX dimension standard.

5. The configuration according to claim 2, wherein:

said first standard is the µATX dimension standard; and

said second standard is the ATX dimension standard.

~~SUB 02~~ 6. The configuration according to claim 1, wherein:

said first printed circuit board is a main board of a data processing device; and

said second printed circuit board has slots for receiving plug-in cards.

7. The configuration according to claim 5, wherein:

said first printed circuit board is a main board of a data processing device; and

said second printed circuit board has slots for receiving
plug-in cards.

8. A printed circuit board assembly, comprising:

a first printed circuit board having dimensions corresponding
to a first dimension standard, said first printed circuit
board substantially extending in a given plane;

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a second printed circuit board removeably connected to said
first printed circuit board;

said first and second printed circuit boards:

forming a connected configuration when said second
printed circuit board is connected to said first printed
circuit board; and

both extending in said given plane when connected in said
connected configuration; and

said second printed circuit board being dimensioned to have
said connected configuration correspond to a second dimension
standard.

9. The configuration according to claim 8, wherein said first dimension standard is the µATX dimension standard.

10. The configuration according to claim 8, wherein said second dimension standard is the ATX dimension standard.

11. The configuration according to claim 8, wherein:

said first dimension standard is the µATX dimension standard; and

said second dimension standard is the ATX dimension standard.

12. The configuration according to claim 8, wherein:

said first printed circuit board is a main board of a data processing device; and

said second printed circuit board has slots for receiving plug-in cards.

13. The configuration according to claim 11, wherein:

said first printed circuit board is a main board of a data processing device; and

said second printed circuit board has slots for receiving
plug-in cards.